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11. (SBU) The Government of Guinea plans to send a delegation of approximately 20 members to the Africa Union Summit in Egypt scheduled to begin June 30. Prime Minister Dr. Ahmed Tidiane Souare will lead the delegation. A contact at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) anticipates that several ministers will accompany the PM, but the composition of the delegation has not yet been finalized. The PM plans to depart Guinea for Egypt on June 28, but the MFA does not yet have the PM's onward travel plans from Egypt.

12. (SBU) The point of contact for Guinea's delegation is the Guinean Embassy in Cairo. The MFA did not provide a specific contact name, but provided a cell phone contact number for the Guinean Ambassador to Egypt (201-1233-5557) as well as the main trunk line for the Embassy (202-2735-8109).

13. (SBU) COMMENT. PM Souare was sworn into office at the end of May and has just announced a restructuring of the government and the appointment of his cabinet. If feasible, a meeting on the fringes between the new PM and A/S Jendayi Frazer would be useful, first as an initial courtesy call, and second to reinforce our core messages regarding democracy, elections, good governance, and continued progress towards economic reforms. END COMMENT.

CARTER